AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

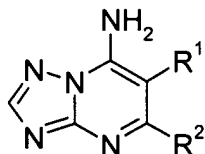Please amend the specification at page 1, line 1, as follows:

Title:

5,6-Dialkyl-7-aminotriazolopyrimidines, their preparation and their use for controlling harmful fungi, and compositions comprising these compounds

Please amend the specification at page 1, line 4 as follows:

Description

Field of the Invention

The present invention relates to 5,6-dialkyl-7-aminotriazolopyrimidines of the formula I

I

in which the substituents are as defined below:

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 6, as follows:

Description of Related Art

5,6-Dialkyl-7-aminotriazolopyrimidines are proposed in a general manner in GB 1 148 629. Individual fungicidally active 5,6-dialkyl-7-aminotriazolopyrimidines are known from EP-A 141 317. However, in many cases their activity is unsatisfactory. Based on this, it is an object of the present invention to provide compounds having improved activity and/or a wider activity spectrum.

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Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 12, as follows:

Summary of the Invention

We have found that this object is achieved by the definitions defined at the outset. Furthermore, we have found processes and intermediates for their preparation, compositions comprising them and methods for controlling harmful fungi using the compounds I.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 24, as follows:

Detailed Description of the Invention

The compounds according to the invention can be obtained by different routes. Advantageously, the compounds according to the invention are obtained by converting substituted β-ketoesters of the formula II with 3-amino-1,2,4-triazole of the formula III to give 7-hydroxytriazolopyrimidines of the formula IV. The groups R^1 and R^2 in formulae II and IV are as defined for formula I and the group R in formula II is C_1-C_4-alkyl; for practical reasons, preference is given here to methyl, ethyl or propyl.

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